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## Stalin Proposals Discussed

London, Jan. 28.—The Cabinet met today and informed sources speculated that Generalissimo Stalin's proposals for a revision of the Anglo-Soviet Treaty were the principal item on the agenda.

The Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, received Soviet Ambassador Georgi Zarubin at the Foreign Office last night and it was assumed that Mr. Bevin sought further elucidation of the Soviet viewpoint before submitting to the Cabinet his recent exchange of correspondence with Stalin.

The Foreign Office maintained complete official silence concerning Britain's next step but it appeared the Cabinet would be called upon to sanction another direct approach to Stalin this time to ascertain what the Soviet leader had in mind when he said that certain changes—in the treaty—were necessary before an extension could be considered.

Moscow radio today hinted that the Soviet's price of revision would be termination of the so-called Anglo-American bloc "against the Soviet Union."

Foreign policy experts view the Pravda charge that Mr. Bevin had denounced the Anglo-Soviet Treaty as a propaganda trick designed to see how far Britain was prepared to go to carry out its announced intention of having better relations with Russia.

If negotiations with Russia reach an advanced stage by the time the Foreign Ministers' Council meets in Moscow in March, Stalin may be in a position to use them as a lever to pry apart the solid Anglo-American front in the negotiations on the German peace settlement.—United Press.

## MINISTERS' DEPUTIES DISCUSS GERMANY

London, Jan. 27.

The main theme of the meeting of the Foreign Ministers' special deputies this afternoon following a statement of Poland's views on the German peace treaty, was whether a decentralised or a unified Germany would be a greater danger to peace.

The Soviet memorandum containing views on the formation of a central German Government was not discussed. The memorandum was tabled last Friday.

Mr. Robert Murphy, United States, took the chair this afternoon.

The Polish delegate said that he was not speaking in terms of the liquidation or dismemberment of Germany.

The United States delegate asked whether the Polish Government had arrived at any evaluation of the economic assets of her new territories acquired from Germany. Dr. Wierbirowski replied that his Government was in the process of making such evaluation, but was also taking war destruction into account.

Mr. Murphy asked for figures of the population now living in Poland's new territories. The other Polish delegate, Dr. Stanislaw Leszczek, said that on November 1, 1946, 66 per cent of the population was formed by Poles and the remainder by Germans. Twelve thousand Germans had left since November 1. On February 1, 1946, the total of Germans was 2,100,000.

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## KIDNAPPING OF BRITONS

### Jewish Mayor Appeals For Return

### British Women Leave Tel-Aviv

Jerusalem, Jan. 28.

Mayor Israel Rokah, of Tel-Aviv, demanded today that the 200,000 inhabitants of the world's only all-Jewish city find and release the two prominent Britons held hostage by the Jewish underground.

The Mayor's strongly worded appeal was a bid by responsible Jewish leadership in Palestine to halt and punish the renewal of violence by militant underground forces.

The High Commissioner, Lt.-Gen. Sir Alan Cunningham, has warned the Jewish Agency leaders that the British Army will take over parts of the country unless the kidnapped men were released within a stated period. This was believed to be 48 hours, beginning yesterday.

The two hostages were Mr. H. Collins, British banker who was snatched from his home on Sunday, and Judge Ralph Windham, who was abducted from a Tel-Aviv courtroom yesterday.

The Mayor, in a broadcast, said: "From you people of the only Jewish city in the world I demand the immediate release of Mr. Collins and Judge Windham. Whatever your political complexion I put it to you that the kidnappers of these two citizens besmirched the name of Tel-Aviv. They have insulted 200,000 of its inhabitants."

### Lost Decency

"If the kidnappers are allowed to go unpunished the world will be entitled to say you have lost your sense of decency."

"No man or woman of this young city should rest until the kidnapped have been returned. I demand everyone of you to endeavour for their release. I shall know no rest until you have

### H.K. SUSPECT'S SUICIDE

Kure, Jan. 28.

A Japanese war crimes suspect, awaiting transportation to Hong Kong for trial, today stole a carving knife from the cookhouse at the air staging port near the British Commonwealth air group at Iwakuni, Western Honshu, and committed suicide by slashing his throat. He was former Army captain Heitaro Sato, one of a party of six suspects wanted by the Hong Kong Government.—United Press.

### Control Lock Found Near Plane

Copenhagen, Jan. 27.

A control lock—a contrivance for securing a plane's controls when it was on the ground, was found 60 yards from the crashed Royal Dutch Airlines Dakota in which Prince Gustav Adolf of Sweden and 21 others were killed at Kastrup aerodrome near here yesterday, the Danish Air authorities revealed today in a preliminary statement on an investigation into the crash.

The statement said it had not been ascertained so far whether there was any connection between the lock—which is of Dutch origin—and the crashed plane.

Investigations are now centring on this point in an attempt to discover whether the lock was left in the plane, which would have made handling of the controls difficult, said the report.

Soldiers taking part in the search were men of the Royal Irish Fusiliers, the Lincolnshire Regiment, and the Herts and Bucks Light Infantry.

The High Commissioner, General Sir Alan Cunningham, summoned Jewish Agency leaders to Government House and told them that unless Judge Windham and Major Collins were returned immediately, it would be necessary to withdraw civil administration from certain areas and place them under military control.

Meanwhile both police and military pressed the search for the kidnappers.

Two Jews were detained for questioning during the day.

Asher Levitsky, a Russian born Jew who practised law for a number of years in the United Kingdom, was reported to be convinced that the convicted man should appeal to the privy council, "despite Groner's recalcitrance and insistence on being a martyr."

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### Political Adviser For H.K.

London, Jan. 28.

The Governor of Hong Kong has asked for the appointment of a political adviser with experience in China and action to give effect to his request was in hand, said the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech-Jones, in Parliament today in answer to a question.

A second labour officer, he added, had recently been appointed and the question of creating an additional post to be filled by a person with trade union experience was under consideration.

A representative local committee was existing in preparation of a comprehensive plan for the social and economic development of the colony.

Mr. Barnet Janner, Labour, had asked whether in view of the desirability of establishing a regime at Hong Kong which would provide a working model of a progressive and democratic community for the benefit of the people in the Far East, the Minister would arrange at an early opportunity to provide the Government of Hong Kong with expert political advisers and labour experts, and the members to put into operation an effective plan for the social and economic development of the colony.—Reuter.

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Steel helmets and armed with rifles and bayonets, they entered shops and houses in the Jewish quarter. Neither Collins nor any suspects were found.

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### Heavy Fighting In Java

Batavia, Jan. 27.

The Dutch Governor General, Dr. Hubertus van Mook, took off in a special plane early today for Sourabaya to investigate personally reports of large-scale fighting near Kilan, south of Sourabaya.

According to the Indonesian news agency half a division of Netherlands troops with heavy artillery, tanks and planes on January 24 began a large-scale action.

Dutch troops tried to take the railway junctions of Modjokereso and Sidardo. Fighting continues with a number of villages changing hands intermittently. Thousands of villagers have fled for safety.

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## "DOUBLE" WAS MURDERER

London, Jan. 27.

Walter Graham Rowland, sentenced to death for the murder of a woman in Manchester, heard his counsel tell the Appellate court today that another man—said to be his double—had confessed to the crime.

On December 16 Rowland was found guilty of killing Clyde Balchin, whose body was found on a bombed site in Manchester last October. When the sentence of death was passed Rowland shouted: "May God forgive you. You have condemned an innocent man."

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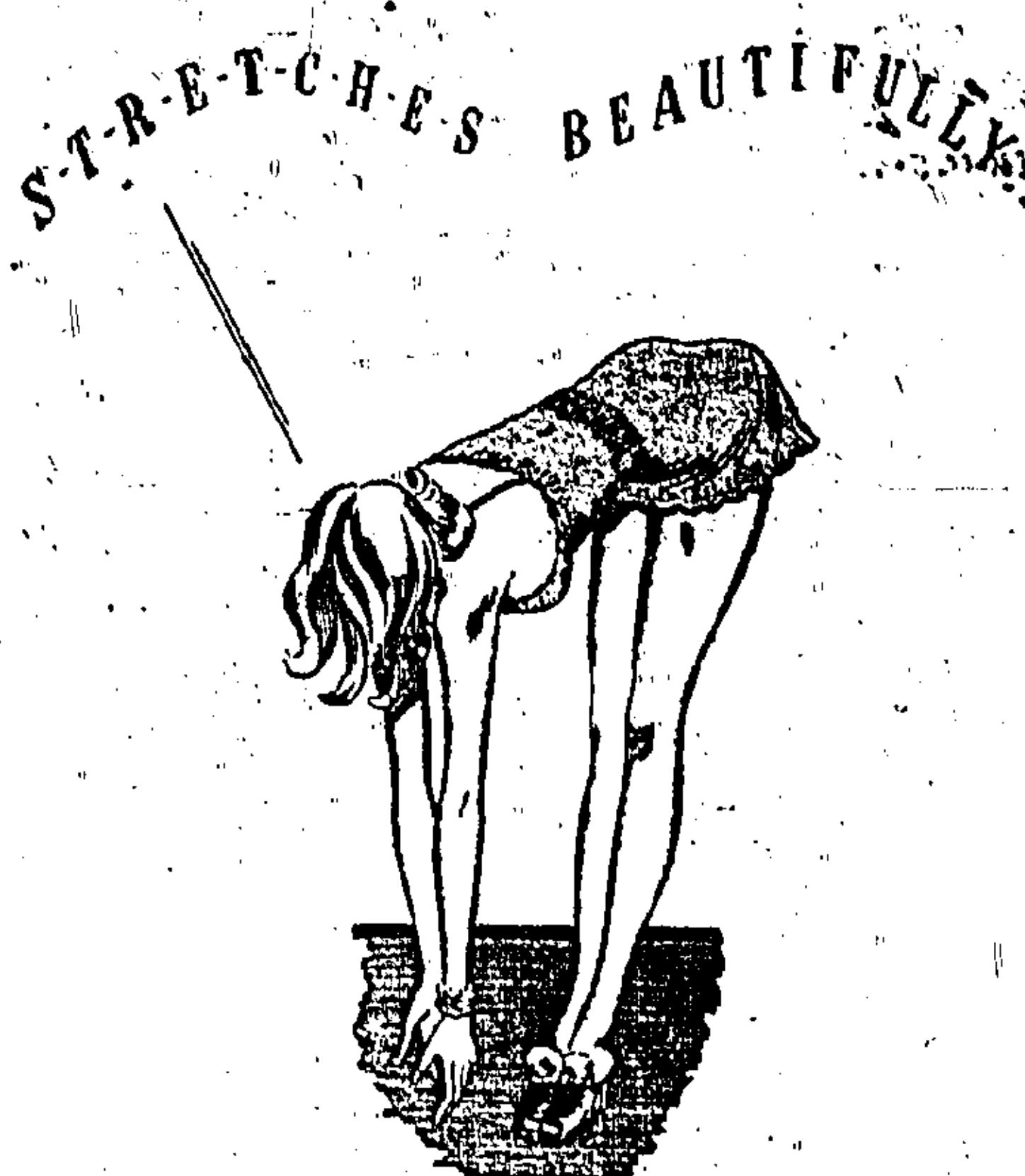
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# EMPLOYEE'S FREE LODGING Tenancy Ends With Finish Of Employment Ruling By Court Of Appeal

The question of whether an employee who was given free lodging by his employer under an employment agreement could continue to occupy the premises upon the termination of his employment, was decided by Sir Henry Blackall, Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice T. J. Gould at the Full Court of Appeal yesterday when written judgments were delivered in favour of the employer.

The appeal was lodged by Mr. J. P. Mahuvawalla after Mr. Justice E. H. Williams had earlier affirmed a decision of a Tenancy Tribunal ordering him to leave the premises, No. 52, Wyndham Street, second floor, which was provided for him to live in by his employer, Mr. B. R. Iranee, under an employment contract.

When his employment terminated, Mr. Mahuvawalla refused to leave, contending that his occupation of the flat was not necessarily for the purpose of his employment.

In the Full Court of Appeal, Mr. Mahuvawalla was represented by Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva, while Mr. B. A. Bernachi, instructed by Mr. F. H. Loscby, appeared for Mr. Iranee.

### Terminology

In his judgment, the Chief Justice said:

A number of authorities under the English Rent Restriction Acts have been cited by counsel but as the relevant parts of Proclamation 15 of 1945 differ in some material respects from the English Acts, those decisions have only a limited application. The question before this Court is whether the fact that the appellant was provided with free lodgings as part of his remuneration gives him protection under the Landlord and Tenant Proclamation and the answer to this depends upon the terminology of that enactment.

The first point to be considered is whether or not "rent" in Article 1 and other Articles refers only to money. At Common Law the term "rent" was not restricted to pecuniary rent; tenancies by way of services were formerly very common. It has been held, however, that under the Rent Restriction Act 1920, the term "rent" applied only to pecuniary tenancies (*Hornsby v. Maynard* (1926) 1 K.B. 514) and I think that having regard to the provisions of Proclamation 15 of 1945, the term "rent" in the Proclamation should be so interpreted.

As then the appellant paid no rent, he is neither a Principal Tenant nor a sub-tenant within the meaning of Article 1, and since every tenant must fall within one or other of these categories it follows that he is not a tenant. How then can be a bona-fide claim possession under a landlord?

### "Too Wide"

As to this Mr. d'Almada urged that the object of the Proclamation is to protect all persons who entered lawfully into the possession of premises and he argued that since the appellant's original possession of the premises was by virtue of his employment and consequently lawful, he comes within its terms. I think this interpretation is too wide, for it gives no effect to the words "under a landlord" in para. 1 (a) of Article 6 and those words, in my view, indicate that unless a person has a bona-fide claim to possession arising out of the relation of landlord and tenant, he may be evicted.

The fact that his possession is lawful in the sense that he is not a trespasser or even that he resided in the premises under the terms of his employment, is not enough.

In my view, therefore, the decision of the Tribunal was correct in law and, I might add, consonant with reason and good sense. I think the appeal should be dismissed with costs.

### "Lodging"

Mr. Justice Gould, who concurred in his judgment said:—The order for eviction is based on Para. 1 (a) of Article 5 of the Landlord and Tenant Proclamation, No. 15 of 1945, which gives power to evict any person who, in

### Readers' Letters

#### Invites To The Troops

Sir.—In reply to British Captain's letter in today's "China Mail" there are civilians in this Colony who are pleased to have troops to their homes. If your correspondent cares to visit the Cheero Club in Queen's Road Central any morning between 11 and 12.30 o'clock he will find a lady there who will willingly try to make arrangement for any of his men to visit homes.

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### ROTARY MEETING

Hong Kong Rotarians and their friends were yesterday treated to an exhibition of miniature paintings by Mr. Alexander D. Tuscia at their weekly luncheon, and to a talk on the history, growth and technique of the art.

The speaker was thanked by Dr. Herdicks who said the subject was appealing to both amateurs and professionals.

those services, the possession is that of the servant, and he is in the position of tenant".

### Important Words

It does not, however, necessarily follow that because the appellant was a tenant at common law, he was a tenant of a kind contemplated by the proclamation. The important words are "under a Landlord" which make it clear that this is merely a negative way of saying that a person can resist eviction under the subsection provided it is shown that the relationship of landlord and tenant does (or at a material time did) exist between the parties or, if the landlord is not a party, then between the landlord and the opponent. This relationship, I consider, must be one of a kind contemplated and recognized by the Proclamation, which involves a proclamation of the Proclamation with a view to ascertaining whether the landlord and the tenant are of a kind so contemplated. As the landlord is clearly within the definition of that term, it remains only to examine the position of the tenant.

No definition of the word "tenant" appears in Article 1 of the Proclamation which, however, does include definitions of the expressions "Principal tenant" and "Sub-tenant". The word is nevertheless used in several places in the Proclamation, generally in a context which shows that it was regarded as equivalent to "Principal tenant" though once, in Article 6, it obviously includes both "Principal tenant" and "Sub-tenant". I think that the only inference that can be drawn is that the draftsmen considered for the purposes of the Proclamation, that every tenant must fall into one or other of these two classes, each of which is, by definition, composed of persons who pay rents.

### Payable In Money

While rent at common law may include services, it has been held that in the English statute which most nearly approximates the Proclamation, namely the Increase of Rent and Mortgage Interest (Restrictions) Act, 1920, the term "rent" means rent payable in money and money alone.

Furthermore, the essential object of the Proclamation is to prevent general increases in rents, the prevention of eviction is subsidiary to this and is provided for, in my view, because it would be difficult, if not impossible, to effect the main object of the Proclamation without it. But the intention of the Proclamation would not be defeated by eviction in the few cases parallel to the present, particularly as in most of them the likelihood is that the evicted tenant will be replaced by another employed on similar terms.

The appeal should be dismissed with costs to the respondent.

### Fortune-Teller Told Her Of Death

The circumstances surrounding the death of a 27-year-old married woman at 11 a.m. on Dec. 20, four days after an abortive suicide attempt, were related to Mr. W. H. Latimer, sitting as Coroner, by S/I Sullivan of Ping Shan Police Station at an inquest held yesterday.

At the conclusion of the inquiry, the Coroner returned the verdict that "Death was due to natural causes, which were the direct result of an attempt to commit suicide while of unsound mind."

Tang Kam-yau, husband of the deceased, was questioned by both husband and mother-in-law, but said "Don't ask me" when they inquired why she attempted suicide.

At about 1 p.m. on Dec. 19, Dr. Tang was again sent for when the husband found his wife sweating freely. Her temperature was 102, and her pulse was very weak. Another camphor injection was given, and the family was again asked to refer the case to the Un Long Public Dispensary for further treatment. Half an hour later, Dr. Tang was informed that the woman had regained consciousness.

### No Poison

The husband, said S/I Sullivan, consulted a Chinese herbologist who prescribed tree roots water, which the husband duly boiled. At 11 a.m. on Dec. 20 she died.

Dr. L.E. Alvares testified that, at an autopsy on the body, showed the woman to be well developed and well nourished. The lips and nails were cyanosed. Counter-irritation marks were over both angles of the lower jaw, left side of the chest, and the buttocks. The right mark of a ligature was present on the neck, curving up both sides. The organs were congested and the left lung showed signs of old-standing pleurisy. Round worms were found in the intestines. There this he refused.

### Queen's Theatre Threat Case

Charged with demanding \$15,000 by menaces through a threatening letter sent by post to the management of the Queen's Theatre Chau Chung-kee, unemployed, was yesterday committed to the Sessions by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Magistracy.

Inspector Sell said that on Nov. 15, 1946, Mr. Lam Ming, manager of the Queen's Theatre received a letter demanding \$15,000 or suffer damage to life and property by bombs. The money was to be handed over on Nov. 17 to a person holding a bunch of flowers, at the main entrance of the Nathan Hotel, Kowloon.

The police were informed and a party lay in ambush but no person turned up.

A party of police, on Dec. 1, went to Room No. 310 Tai Tung Hotel, and there found defendant. During the search a threatening letter addressed to the Queen's Theatre was found under a pillow.

Defendant was taken to the Central Police station and subsequently requested to write a letter which he did. The writing was compared with that received by the manager of the Queen's and Prof. Mr. Kian and Inspector Morrison, of the Finger Print Bureau, would give evidence that, in their opinion, both letters were written by the same hand.

Evidence was given by So Ting, who stated that he came to know, accused on Nov. 19. By arrangement, he went to Room No. 310 at the Tai Tung Hotel on Dec. 1 at 12.30 p.m. and waited for him till 1 p.m. When accused came he was told to go and purchase writing paper and an envelope, write a letter to the Queen's and that defendant was going to theatre. On his return accused proceeded to write on the paper with a pencil. Accused placed the letter in the envelope and was about to seal it, but there was no paste. Witness suggested that accused ring for the boy to bring some. This he did but the police came in instead. That was a pre-arranged signal.

After the evidence of the manager of the Queen's Theatre, and other formal evidence, accused was committed for trial.

### High Cost Allowance Lowered

A reduction in the Rehabilitation Allowance for February and March, 1947, is announced by the Labour Officer.

The average of the Food and Fuel figures for the nine weeks ended January 25, 1947 was \$11.9752.

The Rehabilitation Allowance, says the statement, will therefore for the months of February and March 1947, being on the scale of \$11 and less than \$13 per day.

Daily Paid Artisans \$2.60 per day; Coolies \$2.10 per day; Females \$1.60 per month.

Monthly Paid Men \$72 per month, Females \$51 per month.

The food and fuel costs for the week ended January 25 was \$13.1830, an increase attributed to the Chinese New Year period.

There was no evidence of disease. The neck was not fractured.

Sections of the internal organs were sent to the Government Chemist for possible poisons, said Dr. Alvares, and the report received from that official stated that "no identifiable poison could be detected in the post-mortem materials."

Whether death was due to coma, syncope or shock due to exhaustion could not be determined, said witness. It would not have been inconsistent with natural causes.

In his testimony, Tang Kam-yau stated that he married about seven years ago, and that the relations between his wife and himself were very good. About two years ago his wife complained of pains in the chest and would, at times, be of colour for a couple of days.

Recently, however, she appeared in good health.

Also about two years ago, witness went on, his wife consulted a fortune-teller who said she would die by hanging at the age of 27. At the beginning of last year, she asked his permission to enter a nunney.

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## Revue At The Star

The tempo at the "Star" Theatre quickens from tonight when fast-moving revue replaces the legitimate drama and comedy which has been a feature of the theatre for the last two months.

"London By Night" was formed by the well-known London producer, Pearl Beresford, from artists from London's famous Whitehall and Windmill Theatres, and its accent is on laughs, though there is also some excellent dancing, classical piano solos, and fine soprano singing.

Ken Douglas, who was for a time resident comedian at the Prince of Wales' Theatre, playing opposite such stalwarts of the profession as George Robey, is the ideal "rag-a-minute" man to keep a show of this sort going as far as laughs are concerned.

Nan Kennedy, the well-known broadcasting star is another versatile member of the company who not only has her own spot but also appears in many of the sketches, together with Eddicks and Day, who have their own dancing and back-chat act.

For the classical music fans there is Carmelita Lawless who adds a pleasant contrast with her selections from the masters, while the Dimples Shore fans are well catered for in Sylvia Morraire who has an original presentation for her popular songs.

One of the more attractively presented spots in the show is that of Colores and Barril, who provide some enjoyable dancing in their Negro Ballet specialty and also in a novel Swiss number which is enhanced by the attractive costumes, while the Two Vernons demonstrate in their number just how complicated and entertaining the act of ascending stairs can be—when you are a dancer.

Louise is the show's soprano and will be heard in well known and loved favourites. Bill Pierce's left hand should delight the boogie-woogie fans and help to round off a really excellent show.

The second Blanche Little company which has been playing "Madame Louise" and "Gaslight" returns to Singapure tomorrow.

## Money Mart

After the previous day's drop the money market was quiet yesterday, with the volume of business in gold and piastres greatly reduced.

Gold opened at \$319 a tael, dropped to \$316, rose again to \$329, and closed at \$314.50.

Piastres opened at \$14.25 per 100 and closed at \$14.40. Lowest point touched was \$14.15.

Chinese National Currency was slightly weaker, closing at 65 cents for future and 70 cents for spot (for CN1.000).

U.S. dollars were firmer at \$4.90 while Sterling, on the other hand, eased off to \$15.22. Australian pounds were unchanged.

## Shai Exchange

Quotations on the Shanghai market today were as follows:

Boring	Boring
9.30 a.m.	CNB
Gold per ounce	\$38,000 300,000
U.S. Dollars	6,700 7,000
Hong Kong Dollar	1,350 1,380
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Associated Press.

If Your Worship fixes bail at \$75,000 you will be creating not only a pre-war record, or a post-war record, or a record for Hong Kong, but an all-time record for the British Empire.

The amount asked for by the Police is absurd and makes the whole question farcical. Asking for it is tantamount to the prosecution saying that no bail should be granted, as well as making a mockery of the whole thing."

The above remarks were made in Mr. Latimer's Court by Mr. Marcus da Silva when, after a short adjournment, Inspector Smith informed the Court that he had been instructed to ask for bail to be fixed at \$75,000 in the case in which Major Gen. Yu Ting-wah, alias Yip Hok-chiu, 44, of the Army Cultivation Division, Peace Preservation Corps, is charged with felonious receiving. Another question which arose, Mr. Silva said, was whether the Court had any jurisdiction in the case, which he submitted was a civil action, brought into a criminal court.

His Worship suggested that in view of the ingots and the \$37,000 in the possession of the Police, bail should be fixed at \$25,000, and, on the parties agreeing, formally adjourned the case for one week, Feb. 4 tentatively fixed as the date of hearing.

A statement issued by the Police last night said that as a result of two searches at 20 Belcher Street and 384 Queen's Road West a total of 2,739 ingots were recovered by Inspector Smith. Total value of the metal is \$22,000.

## ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Peninsula Hotel arrivals: Mr. W. G. Frost, Mr. & Mrs. D. Tappan, Mr. H. E. Haltwanger, Mr. & Mrs. M. H. Pepper.

Departures: Mr. J. McNeill, Mr. & Mrs. A. A. Cormier, Mr. & Mrs. A. N. Parlato.

Arrivals by the "Devonshire" from Singapore on Monday included Mrs. A. E. Plunkett, Mrs. T. Barnes, the Misses E.J. Jackson, A.L. Romilly, M.C. Hodges, S.A. Hodges, S.S. Walker, M.G. Kennedy, M.L. Mason, W.N. Dwyer, O.G. Barnett, P.W. Rhodes, C.M. Lawlor, Mr. & Mrs. S. Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Stocker, and Messrs. K.D. Taylor, W.J. Pearce, J.B. Chitt, J.C. Piddock, R.G. Giddens, and M.H. Sager.

Departures for Shanghai by the "Sheng-king" yesterday included Messrs. V.G.T. Davis, A.L. Davis, J.W. Chapman, H. Mathew, W. Topliss, R. Rainey, W.W. Brook, A.J. Hock, M.J. Edna, G.A. Kemp, R.G. Hurst, L. Kaminsky, Mr. and Mrs. H. Vevers, Mrs. M.I. Duck and Miss V. Trumble.

Yau Ma Tei Police Station yesterday found a black and white Wonk bitch which they believe to be owned by English-speaking people. The animal was found in Market Street at 5.30 p.m. and is thought to have been stolen from Nanking Street, though the owner cannot be traced.

S/I Askew appeared for the prosecution.

For snatching the hand bag of Miss L. S. Ramler in Des Vouex Road Central on Monday, Wong Lee was sentenced to imprisonment for one month and to six strokes, by Mr. E. H. Sainsbury at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

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Full particulars and procedure for tendering were published in the Government Gazette of 24th January, 1947, Notification Nos. S/43, S/44 and S/46, or can be obtained from the Urban Council Office, Post Office Building, 3rd floor...

R. W. H. MAYNARD,  
Secretary, Urban Council.

Hongkong, 28th January, 1947.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programme and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th February, 1947, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

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Through numbers (8 Races—\$16) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, also tickets for the Special Sweep (\$2.00) on the last race.

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Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

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Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary upon the written or personal introduction of a member, such member to be responsible for all costs, etc.

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The Treasurers' Comptrollers Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

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**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE**

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

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Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

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Passes for Servants will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

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GOVT. SALARIES

Intimation of the impending

appointment of a Commission to

review the salaries and conditions

of service of Public Officers in

Hong Kong will occasion no sur-

prise. War and its aftermath

have brought about a curious re-

versal of positions as between the

Government employee and his

counterpart in commercial em-

ployment. Generally speaking,

before the war, the Government

servant at whatever grade was

considered to be more generously

treated both as to emoluments

and service conditions than the

average worker in other spheres

of activity. Today, it is common

knowledge that Government has

been much slower in scaling up

salaries to meet the inflated cost

of living, and that a good many

public officers are living under

conditions of considerable hard-

ship, and that, relatively, the civil

servant is much worse off than the

"civilian," unless he happens to

be corrupt. One of the unfor-

tunate consequences has, in fact,

been an appalling increase in the

scale of corruption and if there

can be reason to expect revi-

sions to check and discourage

this graft, the Commission's ap-

pointment must be welcomed on

that additional ground. There is

of course no question that many

public officers are grossly under-

paid under present economic con-

ditions for the services they are

expected to perform. It is to be

hoped, however, that in the selec-

tion of the Members to compose the

Commission, some thought

will be thrown back to past criti-

cisms of similar Commissions. In-

clusion of some of the higher of-

ficials, with expert knowledge, is

natural enough, but it is possible

to arouse much adverse comment

if the Commission appears to be

overweighted with interested

parties.

## POLICE EFFICIENCY

It is odd that the police, check-

ing up on the complaint of a

Commando corporal about ticket

racketeering, should appear to be

more interested in attempting to

track down the original culprit

than in the police constable who

refused to make an arrest. In the

result, the man identified next

day by the corporal brought his

employer into court to provide

him with an alibi, and the case

was dismissed. There is no en-

couragement in incidents of this

kind to public cooperation in

stampeding out crime and petty

rackets. The Commando gave

time in the public interest on two

successive days, much of which

could have been saved had a

police constable carried out his

duty. Yet nothing was said in

court to indicate proposals to take

disciplinary action, although on

the face of it, the constable's of-

fense was more serious than that

of the ticket racketeer. If there

is one weakness of Hong Kong's

police force that is more apparent

than another, it is the strange in-

ability of the Chinese rank and

file to bestir themselves to notice

offences even when they are per-

petrated right under their eyes.

This blind indifference can be

attributed to one of two causes.

Either they are often not them-

selves aware that an offence is

being committed; in other words,

they are themselves ignorant of

the law; or they have excellent

reason for shutting their eyes in

the absence of superior officers.

When, therefore, a flagrant in-

stance, not merely of failure to

make an arrest, but of outright

refusal, the police constable

will not be permitted to baffle

the public confidence.

## THE TRIALS OF ZBW

ZBW—Hong Kong's radio station which frequently takes a verbal "beating" from critical listeners through the columns of the press, has always been, financially, a losing proposition.

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## Minister's Assurance In House Of Lords

### Loading Margin To Be Studied

London, Jan. 27.

The Minister of Civil Aviation, Lord Nathan, said today he has submitted questions on the all-out load of passenger aircraft for special and urgent consideration by the Air Safety Board which meets tomorrow, following questions in Parliament.

All-up weight, said Lord Nathan, was only one of many considerations and no body of technical opinion in the United Kingdom had suggested that the authorised weight for the Dakota of 28,000 pounds was not satisfactory. It was an appreciable reduction on the United Kingdom war limit of 30,000 pounds.

The Minister has also ordered the immediate investigation into the operational efficiency of fire fighting equipment at Croydon where 12 persons died on Saturday in a Dakota crash.

In the House of Commons the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Mr. G. S. Lindgren, gave an assurance of rapid inquiry into the crashes and said the Ministry would always adhere to the principle that safety came first regardless of the economic consequences in civil flying.

"There has been, so far as the United Kingdom is concerned, no accident with a Dakota aircraft which could be attributable to the weight at which the aircraft was being operated," he declared.

British-made aircraft are to replace the Dakotas used by the British Overseas Airways Corporation and the British European Airways shortly. It was officially stated in London today.

The speech was naturally approved by Communist circles but they remain silent regarding the desirability of three-power intervention.

British circles here, commenting on the debate in general, express surprise that so much time was spent discussing Chinese internal affairs instead of the numerous outstanding pressing Anglo-Chinese questions of trade and commerce.

**Long Term Policy**

The replacement is not due to the crashes but is part of a long term policy to use British aircraft.

Vickers Vikings—at present grounded during modifications to the de-icing equipment—and the four-engine Handley Page "Halton" will be going into service in a short time.

The Dakota which crashed at Stowting, Kent, on January 11 with the loss of eight lives did not act in conformity with regulations while flying over France. It was stated during the closing stages of an inquiry into the crash at Church House, Westminster today.

The assistant to the Director of French Air Navigation said that the plane never crossed its navigation to the ground station.

It did not signal its entry into the control zone and never gave its position to the French station.

Air Commodore Vernon Brown, Ministry of Civil Aviation Director of Accidents, thanked the French authorities for their help in the inquiry.

He declared: "I admire the way they have said 'we are not perfect'. We have had a lot of difficulties and we want your suggestions and your help and we will give you our help."

Concluding the inquiry Air Commodore Brown said he would issue a report as soon as possible.

**Dakota Statement**

Officials in Washington meanwhile have contested any suggestion that recent Dakota crashes were due to planes being "worn out" American Army surplus.

While many have seen war service they were all given a thorough overhaul before entering commercial use, it was said. A Douglas Aircraft Company spokesman denied there was any fundamental structural fault to blame for the crashes and pointed out that Dakota crashes seemed numerous only because there were incomparably more Dakotas in service than any other type of transport plane.—Reuters.

**Arabs Reject Plan For Partition**

London, Jan. 28.

Dr. Jamai Effendi Husseini, vice chairman of the Palestine Arab higher executive, has rejected partition as a solution of the Palestine problem and warned Britain that creation of a Jewish state there would become "a permanent source of trouble in the Middle East."

Husseini spoke to the Anglo-Arabian Palestine conference which resumed its sessions on Monday with one of the principal parties to a settlement—the Jews—still absent.

Addressing 22 Arab and three British delegates in the conference room at St. James Palace, Husseini claimed that establishment of an alien Jewish state would entail "the creation of another Balkans in the Middle-East" and that all Arabs would resist it "with all means at their disposal."

Husseini demanded that Socialist Britain fulfil the pledges the British Government had given to the people of Palestine which, he said, guaranteed self-determination.

"To the Arab world partition presents a further menace," Husseini said.

**Giral Hands In Resignation**

Paris, Jan. 27.

Jose Giral, Premier of the Spanish exile Government, today handed his resignation to President Martinez Barrios, following the resignations of four of his Ministers after a stormy 25-minute Council of Ministers.

The resignations caused no surprise, in view of the growing opposition to the Giral regime during past weeks. The situation was brought to a head last Wednesday when the Right Wing Catholic Minister without Portfolio, Rafael Sanchez Guerra, resigned, protesting against what he termed the Cabinet's exclusively Leftist character.—United Press.

**Arab View**

"The Arab world is a territorial continuity inhabited by a homogeneous population with one national outlook. As such it is free from serious friction and is a natural bulwark for peace."

The creation of an alien Jewish state in Palestine would mean the destruction of that territorial continuity and national homogeneity and the creation of a ruling sore that would undoubtedly become a permanent source of trouble in the middle east."

Husseini called the Palestine Arab case simple and self-evident, and said that it meant only that the people desired to remain in undivided possession of their country and to safeguard their natural existence and freedom."—Associated Press.

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GRACE MOORE

Paris, Jan. 27.  
The American opera star Grace Moore, who was killed in yesterday's Copenhagen air disaster, will be buried in the United States, her Spanish actor husband Valentine Parreira stated before he left Cannes for Paris and Copenhagen today.—Reuters.

## Withdrawal Of Troops From Italy

Rome, Jan. 28.

A coordinated plan for the evacuation of all Allied military forces from Italy will come into effect immediately. The Italian peace treaty is ratified, the official British spokesman at Allied Forces Headquarters said today.

The evacuation, the spokesman added, would not begin with the signing of the peace treaty, due on February 10, but with its ratification, the date of which is not known.

British forces would be evacuated through Trieste and Venice, and the Americans through Leghorn. In addition, there would be a certain amount of movement, both by road and rail, into Austria. Considerable numbers of British troops would be due for release, and others would be sent to Britain, Germany and the Middle East.

The evacuation would be completed within the stipulated ninety days after ratification of the peace treaty, the spokesman said, and, providing there were no complications, he saw no reasons why this should not be possible.

The British and the United States forces in Trieste, free territory, were limited to a maximum of five thousand each under the terms of the peace treaty, but it was possible that this figure would not be necessary. He hoped these forces would not remain in the free territory long enough to need replacements, and that the free territory would be self-supporting in a short time.—Reuters.

## Outcry In London Papers

London, Jan. 27.

Reacting strongly to the two weekend air disasters, the British press today called for an immediate enquiry into the use and loadings of Dakota aircraft.

In particular, they asked for an official statement on the load which British operated Dakotas should carry.

Saying that British Dakotas are allowed to take 3,000 pounds more load than they were designed to carry, the "Daily Mail" editorial today said: "It must be asked whether British civil aviation priority payload is considered to be more important than the safety of passengers."

The "News Chronicle" termed the overloading of these planes as a "national scandal" and emphasised that only last week the Scandinavian countries had asked the British authorities not to overload Dakotas flying from British airfields.

Lord Beaverbrook's "Daily Express" declared: "To ground all Dakotas would disorganise and disrupt airline services. It is an extreme measure that may yet have to be discussed if disasters continue."

In general, newspapers called for what the "Daily Mail" aptly described as an "international Pimlico Line" in the air-safety code, formulated and respected by all nations.—Reuters.

## FIVE YEARS FOR CANADIAN

Ottawa, Jan. 29.  
A Toronto optometrist, convicted on 12 charges of conspiracy in connection with an attempt by Russian agents to obtain a Canadian passport, was sentenced on Monday to five years' imprisonment.

He was Dr. Harry Harris, 51,

the ninth to be sentenced

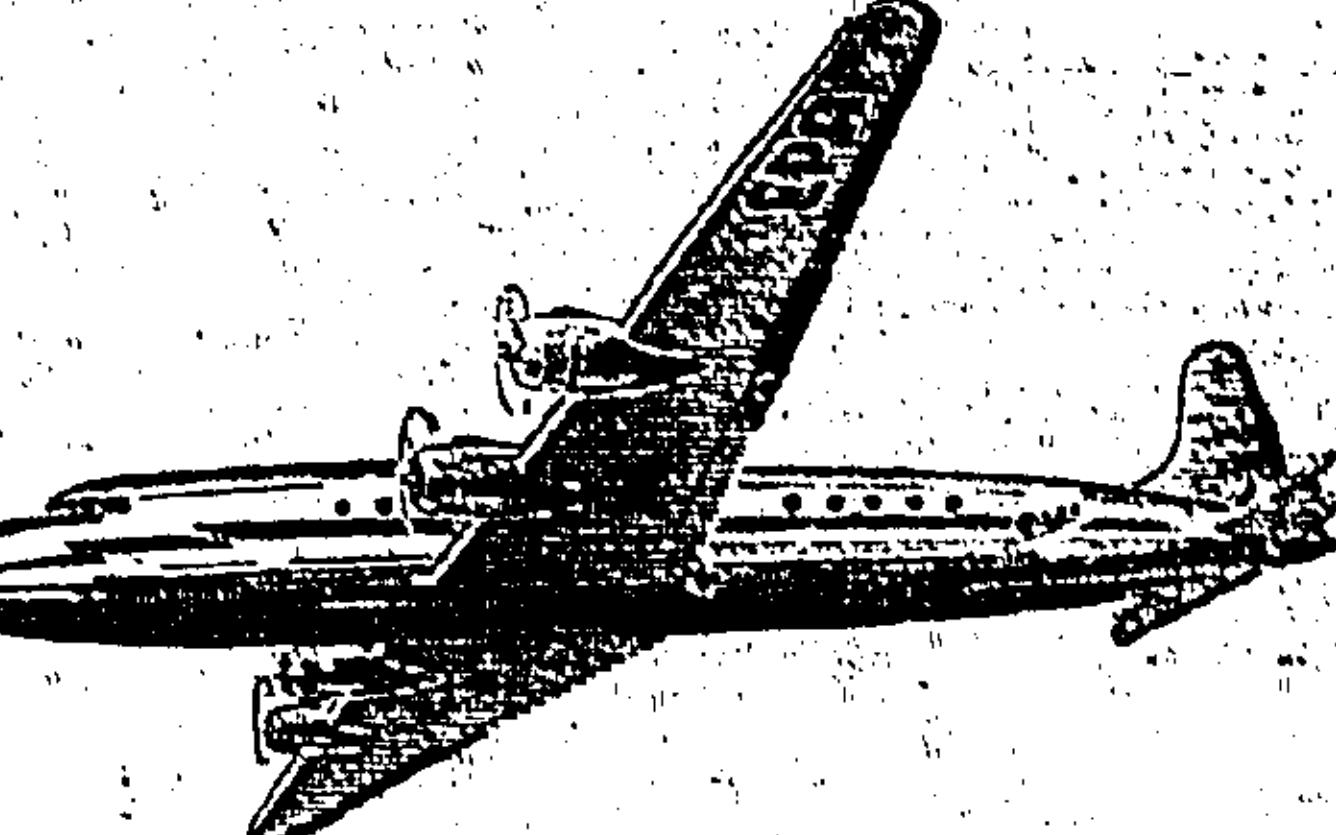
in trials which have fol-

lowed the findings of the Canadian Royal Commission Inquiry into espionage.

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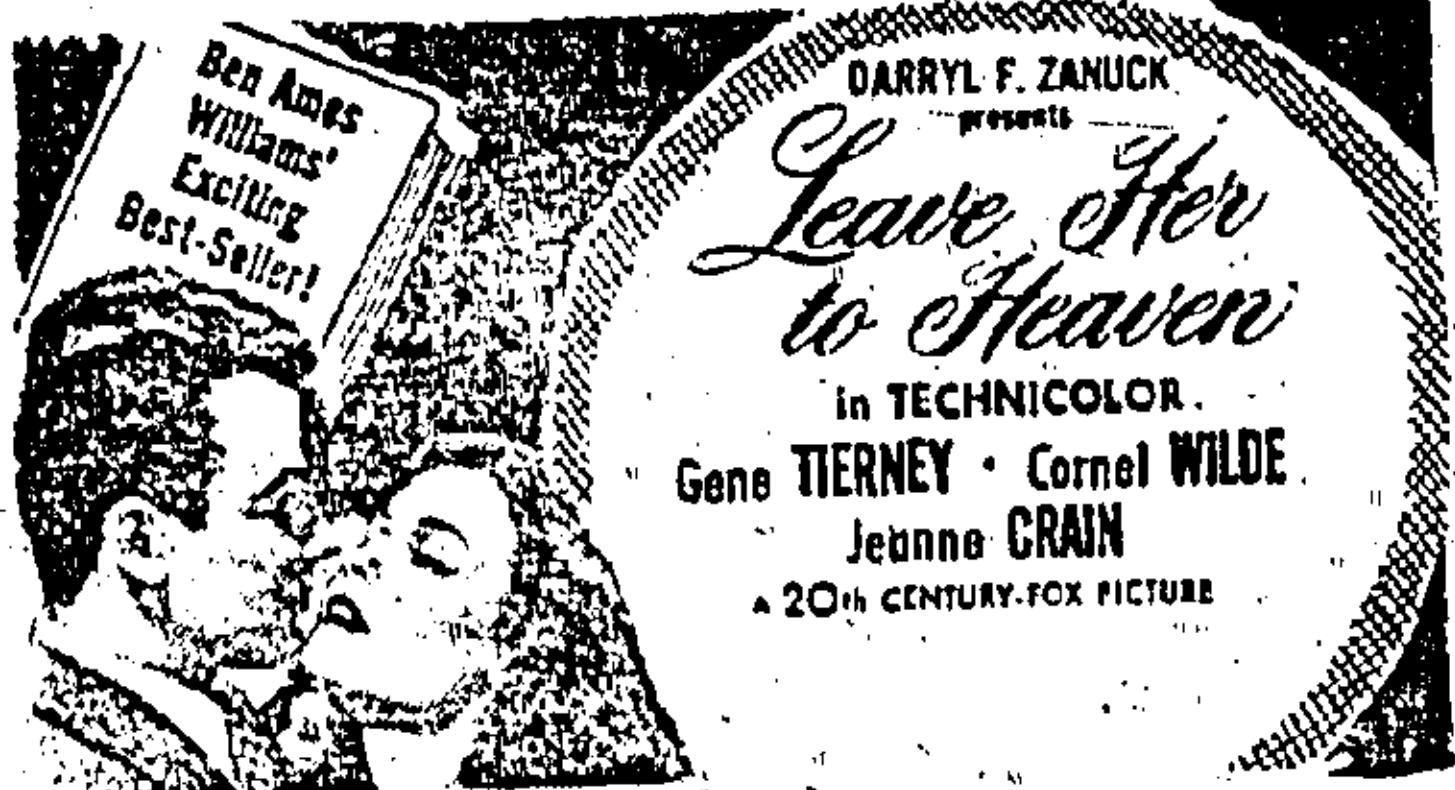
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### Captain Blackburn's Gives Facts

London, Jan. 27. Captain Raymond Blackburn, M.P., one of the signatories of the report issued on Sunday charging that the Nazi Party is in action again in Germany, said today that the British and United States occupation authorities would be given an opportunity to investigate the report. The document was prepared by the International Committee for Study of European Questions from a "great quantity of well-checked information."

Captain Blackburn said whatever the British feeling, many statesmen of the countries ravaged by Germany do not take a complacent view of the possibility of a Nazi re-birth. He said the Committee was worried particularly by evidence that very large sums of money in South America, Sweden, Switzerland and South Africa were at the disposal of Nazi and Fascist interests.

The Communist "Daily Worker" commented editorially that the report was no "surprise."

"So long as the military Government prefers to consort

with highups rather than trust the real anti-Fascists, so long as it condones and encourages anti-Allied and anti-Communist propaganda along the Schumacher line as a means to split the German working class, so long is it helping to retain a fertile soil for Nazism," the paper said.

The "Daily Mirror" printed a cartoon today of two bony hands pulling a figure depicting Nazism into view over a blasted German wall. In the background was a ruined city and an excerpt of the Committee's report.—Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 28. An international rice conference to be held within six months in Southeast Asia, to improve production and distribution, has been proposed by the preparatory commission of the food and agriculture organization.

After three months of discussion, the Commission notes that present world supplies will meet only 40 per cent of the minimum import requirements of rice-eating countries.—Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 27. Senator McMahon, Democrat of Connecticut, told the American Senate on Monday that he supports Russia's developing "an atomic fission plant" in the Ural mountains, while Soviet and American officials are debating plans for world-wide atomic control and disarmament.

Senator McMahon, former chairman of the special congressional committee on atomic energy, added that America must trade her "atomic knowledge for atomic control" immediately, or face eventual destruction by atomic bombs.—Associated Press.

New York, Jan. 28. The price of Chinese whole and powdered rhubarb root has declined slightly. In trading here as a result of additional receipts. Dealers selling price dropped to \$1.25 per pound for whole root from \$1.30.

Powdered root declined to \$1.45 from \$1.50.—Associated Press.

Washington, Jan. 27. Due to the lack of oil tanks for

sailors, the "Great Republic" will be unable to sail to San Francisco and Los Angeles.

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"KWEIYANG"	Bangkok, Saigon & Swatow 30th Jan.
"HANYANG"	Shanghai 30th Jan.
"SHANTUNG"	Swatow 31st Jan.
"FUKIEN"	Kobe and Shanghai 1st Feb.
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**Trade Discrimination Against Britain In Japan Denied**

Mr. Hector McNeil, Minister of State, said in the House of Commons today that there was no discrimination against British businessmen in Japan.

The British Government would not permit it, he said. Replying to questions, Mr. McNeil said that the British Government was aware of the desirability of an early resumption of private trade with Japan, provided that satisfactory arrangements were first made for the necessary intermediate steps.

These steps included the return of British businessmen to Japan and facilities for them to operate their businesses.

Such matters were being discussed with the competent Allied authorities in Washington, to whom the British views had been made known.

When Brigadier McLean, Conservative, asked if representatives of American insurance agencies and motor manufacturing firms had already visited Japan, Mr. McNeil replied that he had no knowledge of motor manufacturers. Others were not there in a commercial capacity, because certain currency and banking and insurance facilities had to be made available to the troops there.—Reuter.

**Chinese Held In San Francisco**

Three hundred citizens of Chinese American citizens are being held in special detention quarters at U.S. Immigration Headquarters while officials determine whether they are eligible to enter the United States.

The District Operations Officer, Mr. Arthur Phelan said the immigrants were detained because they lacked the necessary clearances from United States Consuls overseas or husbands and fathers had to be located in order to check citizenship.—United Press.

The British delegation led by Sir Alfred Eady of the Treasury left London for India by air on Monday to begin preliminary talks for the settlement of Indian's estimated £1,000,000,000 balance.

Treasury officials emphasized the "preliminary" nature of the negotiators' task, but they did not rule out the possibility that firm agreement could be reached.—Associated Press.

London, Jan. 27. Airmail for Manilla (By Air) (Reg.) 9.30 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m. Sundaken and Madras (By Sea) 10 a.m. Straits (By Sea) 10 a.m. Suez Canal (By Sea) 10 a.m. Egypt and East Indies (By Sea) 10 a.m. Kuching, C.P.O. (Reg.) 1.30 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m. Cairo (By Sea) 10 a.m. (Reg.) 1.30 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m. Manila P.I. (By Sea) 3 p.m. Macao, Tsinan &amp; Shekki (By Sea) 3 p.m.

London, Jan. 27. Airmail for Holloway, Canton &amp; Foochow (By Air) (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 4 p.m. Canton (By Train) 4 p.m. Airmail for Suley, Colombo, Singapore, Sydney, Auckland and London (By Air) (Reg.) 2.30 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m. (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m. Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Delhi, Johannesburg and Cairo (By Air) (Reg.) 2.30 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m. (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m. Airmail for Manila P.I. (By Air) (Reg.) 9.30 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m. (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m. Airmail for Canton and Chinkiang (By Air) (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m. (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m. Airmail for Kedah (By Sea) No. 1. Airmail to Dacca (By Sea) No. 1. Airmail via Keelung (By Sea) No. 1. Airmail to Dacca (By Sea) No. 1. Airmail to Saigon (By Sea) No. 1. Airmail to Suez Canal (By Sea) 11 a.m. Straits (By Sea) 11 a.m. Suez Canal (By Sea) 11 a.m. Manila, Tsinan &amp; Shekki (By Sea) 3 p.m. Macao, Tsinan &amp; Shekki (By Sea) 4 p.m. Canton (By Sea) 4 p.m. Canton (By Sea) 4 p.m.

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# CHINA MAIL

HONG KONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 1947.

## Hutton And Hardstaff In Grand Form

Adelaide, Jan. 27. Judging by the way the England bowlers were punished here today the selectors have a vital problem to tackle before they announced the team for the fourth Test at the close of the match tomorrow.

There are Bedser and Edrich to return but this Adelaide wicket gives little encouragement to the pace men and England need some slow spinners.

Unfortunately for Hammond he cannot call on either Smith or Langridge—both are unfit.

Consequently Voce today was given two long trials as a slow bowler. He began his career with Nottinghamshire that way but it is not likely he will help to solve the present problem.

Voce has a nice easy action round the wicket but for too long has he relied on sheer pace for him to be able to return to his old methods.

When he took the new ball after tea, Voce broke up the Ridings-Hammond double century stand by getting Ridings lbw, and then he was bowling at his normal pace.

Just as Bradman used Dooling sparingly, during the long M.C.C. innings, so Hammond turned his key bowler Wright, although England's captain caused some surprise when with the total only 19 he called on Wright when the innings was only a quarter of an hour old.

With his first ball Wright broke the opening stand by getting Craig lbw and then after two no-balls, Wright for the first time during the tour claimed Bradman's wicket though he has often tied him up in Tests.

### Poor Display

The ball must have turned slightly for Bradman, intending to place it firmly to leg, met it with the edge of the bat, giving an easy catch to forward short leg.

"With Bradman gone and two wickets down for 26, the MCC stood a chance of establishing mastery, but the initiative soon passed to the opposition because apart from Wright, the English team possessed no bowler who could operate successfully on the easy-paced pitch.

Moreover, all of them Wright included, fed the batsmen with a series of no-balls, although during the day the umpire called no-ball 19 times and these cost 62 runs. Indeed the MCC's display in the field today was disappointing and almost unworthy of a touring team.

Even the fielding, excepting Dow, Hardstaff, Evans, and Fishlock fell below the usual standard.—Reuter.

### Last Day's Play

Adelaide, Jan. 28. South Australia and the M.C.C. tourists drew their match which ended here today with England batting a second time and having 162 runs on the board for the loss of two wickets when bad light caused an early end to the match.

The Stats had a total of 443 in reply to the tourists' first innings score of 577. It was Hardstaff who caused general surprise by taking three wickets at the cost of 23 runs when South Australia resumed this morning.

All were clean bowled and South Australia lost their remaining six wickets today for 92 runs.

Weather conditions were most trying with hot winds bringing dust from inland, making conditions most unpleasant. Later in the day, rain caused two short stoppages and then bad light brought the game to an early end.

James, of the overnight not-

## Sports Club Meeting

The Sports Club of Hong Kong held its first post-war annual general meeting yesterday at the Club premises in King's Building under the chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. M. M. Watson.

A large attendance of members

listened to a review of the year's activities and the remarkable strides made in rehabilitation made since the Club restarted on Sept. 1, 1945. Thanks were expressed to Mr. W. A. Shen, the Hon. Secretary, and to Mr. Abraham, and also to certain members who generously came forward with a loan of \$4,000 to the Club in the early stages to help it get on its feet again. This loan had been repaid.

The accounts were in a healthy position, showing a credit balance of \$4,933.30 after writing off \$11,000 odd for depreciation on furniture and fitting.

A notable feature of the Club's amenities was the bar which was stripped bare during the occupation but was now in full swing again and poring a booz to members and their friends.

A special resolution was passed at the meeting removing the bar between voting and non-voting members. Henceforth all members would have power to vote.

Committee elected for the ensuing year were Mr. U. Sze-wing (Chairman), Hon. M. M. Watson and Messrs. S. C. Wong, Ngan Shing-kwan, F. S. Ko, T. C. Chan, H. S. Yung, J. J. Palmer, W. T. Stanton, G. Brayfield, R. Lasala and H. F. Shields.

### BOWLS CONTEST

The usual monthly "Wapping-shaw" competition will be held at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday February 1, at 3.00 p.m. All bowlers in the Colony are invited to this event. Woods can be supplied and spoons will be presented to the winning rink.

Intending players are asked to have their names in by 2.45 p.m. on the day of play.

M.C.C. Second Innings	
Hutton, not out	77
Washbrook, c Waughon, b Wright	0
Gibson, b Wright	145
Fishlock, c Gibson, b Oswald	26
Hardstaff, not out	49
Extras	9
Total (for 2 wks.)	152

Total (for 2 wks.) ..... 152  
—Reuter.

### Week-End Yachting

Weather conditions were a little more favourable for sailing last weekend, although on Sunday with the rain and rather cold atmosphere many members decided to stay in the Club rather than face the elements.

One race in dinghies was held on Saturday afternoon but the Stars were not taken out as the weather was still too heavy for this class of yacht.

On Sunday the Stars had two races and those who sailed independently sailed them independently and did not race.

**Saturday Afternoon Race:** Eleven boats started, Duke of Adamant V going out fast just to leeward, followed by Commando II, Black, Stonecutters IV with the rest of the fleet close behind. Stonecutters II a little too fast was over too soon and recrossed fast, only to have her main sheet part a few minutes later.

Black and Adamant V made a close fight of it throughout several changes of position. All boats carried whole sail to make a fast race with all finishing within 12 minutes despite minor accidents with broken gear and one or two bad obstructions by junks and towing craft.

**Results:**  
1st Black, Blandy (Jones) ..... 0.20.00  
2nd Adamant V, Wilkinson (Fuller) ..... 0.50.20

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## Not Cricket, Says Vernon Morgan

London, Jan. 27. No less than eight Australian Test players have batting averages of over 40 for the first three Tests so far played. Only two Englishmen, Edrich and Norman Yardley, can claim that distinction.

Don Bradman heads the Australian averages with 137.25 from four knocks. Sid Barnes is second with 85.50, also from four innings.

The general view is that their mistakes, which have affected both sides, have had a greater effect against England. If so we must accept it as being part of the game.

What has annoyed most lovers of the game has, as much as anything, been that pressmen querying decisions have not been in a position to query them, and that one British journalist made the astonishing remark that he had seen the mark on a bat made in a stroke by a batsman given out before.

Cricketers say that a man who can say that will soon be saying he saw the mark on the bat made by the bat, and that such person is the very last to question an umpire's decision.

The English tourists must have confidence in umpires Jack Scott (chief target of criticism) and George Borwick,

or they would not have been again selected to officiate in the next Test, and it may be significant that these two men were elected without delay and, for the first time during the series, before the names of either team had been announced.—Reuter.

### Not Cricket

This age-long saying in which Britons for years have taken great pride, will lose its meaning if certain sections of the British press insist as they have been doing that the British team is receiving a raw deal at the hand of the Australian umpires in the matter of leg-before wicket decisions.

The umpires may have made mistakes—indeed, there are good reasons for supposing that they have, but it certainly "isn't cricket" to dispute these decisions and give them as an excuse for defeat.

When I was a small boy and played cricket one of the very first things I was taught was that an umpire's decision was final, and that it was most un sporting as much as to say in the pavilion that I thought the umpire had erred. These accusations from some British pressmen and the petulance displayed by certain English players on being given out would make oldtime British cricketers turn in their graves.

Indeed, those in Britain who love their cricket for the game's sake are horrified at what they have been reading. In the past, it has always been the Englishmen's proud boast that he knew how to win graciously and to lose well. Can it be that with the changing times our outlook and behaviour is changing?

### Soviet Sporting Spirit

If I were asked what impressed me most in sport since the war I would say without hesitation that it was the way the Soviet soccer team, Moscow Dynamos, behaved at Hampden Park, Glasgow, when the referee awarded the Scottish team a penalty in the closing stages of the game.

That decision, which was certainly questionable, in fact made more thought the referee was wrong than thought he was right, was accepted without query by the Russians. Not a man moved. Not one member of the side tried to argue.

It made me wonder how many teams, not only in Britain, but in the whole world, would have accepted this—so intentionally injured the goalie. It has not been suggested that he intentionally injured the goalie.

It may well be that the Australian umpires are not as efficient as the British, but it is churlish to suggest that they are crooked enough to negative appeals by British players and allow them when made by Australians.

Sunday morning team races should provide most interesting racing as it will develop the technique of team racing as opposed to the normal individual helmsman's race.

For the team race, individuals, ships, units and establishments and any group of members are invited to form teams of 4 boats. These teams will race against each other in turn. Sunday mornings will be allocated for these team races and teams can also race against each other by mutual arrangement at any time during the week.

According to CNRRA, it is generally believed that several vessels were lost in the typhoon of early September and most of the others were victims of piracy.

### EXCLUSION ACT TO GO

Ottawa, Canada, Jan. 28. Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced the Canadian Government intends to repeat the Chinese immigration act which has drastically limited the number of Chinese allowed into Canada.—Associated Press.

## Chinese Boycott KPM Ships

Singapore, Jan. 28. Vessels of the KPM Dutch shipping line, sailing to Hong Kong and South China ports, are being partially boycotted by local Chinese lodging houses, which arrange passages for Chinese leaving for China.

Quoting an example of the attitude of the "Central Authority," Shoji said that he had taken part in the Battle of Java when many prisoners of war were taken. An order was received from the Central Authority through the General Officer Commanding in Java that the POWs be sent to Batavia.

The Governor-General of Java, the Chief of Staff and their servants were quartered in the same camp. When they were moved to Batavia, he (Shoji) had found several rooms for them in a suitable hotel of the type to accommodate a Governor-General and his staff. An order then came that this could not be done.

He found a smaller place for the Governor-General in the former infantry quarters, but was told that this also was prohibited. Finally, the Governor-General and his staff were quartered in two rooms in an ordinary POW Camp.

Thus, even the Commander-in-Charge of an area could not treat POWs as he pleased.

Stimson also disclosed, in an article in Harper's, that military leaders were convinced that unless atomic bombs were used, major fighting would not end before the latter part of 1946 "at the earliest" with an anticipated cost of over 1,000,000 casualties to the American forces alone.

So completely did the United States keep its secret, Stimson said, that "so far as the Japanese War Criminals are persons who were connected with the POW Camps. The Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Shanghai was at first Lt.-Gen. Uemura and later it was Lt.-Gen. Hamada. Both of these supervisors, because they felt responsible for treatment of POWs, committed suicide, the

presumptions adopted by those present amid vociferous applause.

General Chen Ming-shu, who defended the Chapei area in the 1932 hostilities, and several members of the Democratic League presided.

The anti-American declaration, charging the Americans with "robbing the Chinese of the fruits of victory over Japan" and claiming the Americans treated China as a satellite, was loudly read from

Associated Press.

Chen Lap-tso, who had four

lives of raincoats, and Chai Ching-wing, owner of seven cases of oranges and seven cases of raisins, were each fined \$100.

In the cases of Chuk-wing and Chung Pou, who had condensed milk among their cargo, they too were fined \$100, but the milk, being on the prohibited export list, was ordered to be confiscated.

Before Mr. H. G. Sheldon

this morning, the owners were charged with attempting to export unmanifested cargo from the Colony.

Yau Kwok-yeo, who had one

case of cheese, one case of

raisins and 42 boxes of Cho-

olate valued at \$1,106, was fined \$200.

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It was a violation of regulations to allow POWs to go outside the Camp without an armed guard. He had, in violation of

regulations, allowed POWs to go but without armed guards and was on one occasion punished by Colonel Suzuki for permitting a POW to go out of the Camp area.

Chiba admitted that he had struck a POW on one occasion

for stealing sugar. It was usual to send POWs guilty of larceny to the detention cells, but as this

POW was a tailor and closely

connected to him in his work,

Chiba said that he took pity on him and just smacked him on the

instead of sending him to the

detention cells.